



**SENATE BILL 257:  
Appropriations Act of 2017, Sec. 11E.13:  
Funds for Pregnancy Care Initiatives**

2017-2018 General Assembly

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<b>Analysis of:</b>	Sec. 11E.13 of S.L. 2017-57		

**OVERVIEW:** *Sec. 11E.13 of S.L. 2017-57 directs the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) to allocate \$1.3 million in nonrecurring funds for each of the 2017-18 and 2018-19 fiscal years to the Carolina Pregnancy Care Fellowship for use as follows: (1) \$800,000 to provide grants to purchase durable medical equipment for clinics that apply to the Carolina Pregnancy Care Fellowship for that equipment; (2) \$170,000 to provide grants for training on the use of durable medical equipment; (3) \$30,000 may be used by Carolina Pregnancy Care Fellowship for administrative purposes related to those grants; (4) \$300,000 must be transferred to the Human Coalition, a nonprofit organization, to develop and implement a two-year continuum of care pilot program to assist women experiencing crisis pregnancies to carry their pregnancies to full term.*

*The program implemented by the Human Coalition must use care coordinators and nursing staff in close collaboration. By November 1, 2017, and periodically thereafter, the Human Coalition must report to DHHS on this program, and DHHS must report to the Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on Health and Human Services and the Fiscal Research Division on the program by April 1, 2018. DHHS must issue a final report on the program to the Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on Health and Human Services and the Fiscal Research Division no later than April 1, 2019, and the program will expire on June 30, 2019.*

*This section became effective July 1, 2017.*

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